

SMOOT AND KING RAP PACKER BILL

Smoot Says Retail Profits
on Meat Products Should
Be Curbed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Federal regulation of the meat packing industry as proposed in a bill by the agricultural committee, was attacked in the senate Tuesday by Senator Smoot of Utah, Republican, and Senator King, Democrat, of New York. The bill was defended by Senator Kenyon, Republican, Iowa, sponsor of the original packer regulatory proposals.

The bill would provide for voluntary registration and licensing of packers and for the creation of a livestock commission which would conduct hearings and enforce rules and regulations. A uniform accounting system would also be requested.

UTAH SENATORS OPPOSE.
Senators Smoot and King were joined in their attacks by Senators King, Democrat, of Utah; Pomerehne, Democrat, Ohio; Watson, Republican, Indiana; and Sterling, Republican, South Dakota, all of whom opposed certain features of the proposed bill. Senator Kenyon was assisted in his defense by Chairman Gronna of the agriculture committee, and by Senators Lenroot, Republican, Wisconsin, and Kendrick, Democrat, Wyoming.

Senator Smoot declared that the bill would bring about general licensing in the industry and it would mean paternalism.

"We have had some experience with licensing business during the last three years," he added, "and I do not believe you could get many votes in the senate for its re-establishment."

BLAMES RETAILERS.
The provisions for supervising the industry, the New York senator said, would result in unnecessary hampering of business.

Senator Smoot attacked the general principle involved on the ground that retail profits in meat distribution were of greatest importance to the consumer. He added, that packers' wholesale prices had changed very little in the last two years and said that "if the senate really wants to do something for the consumer, it is beginning at the wrong end of the line."

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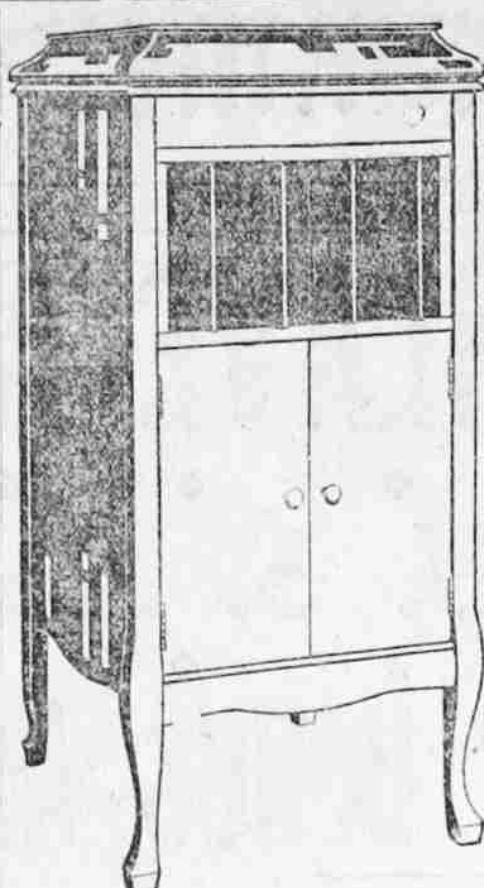
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GERMAN DELEGATES GO TO FINANCIAL MEETING

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Germany's delegation to the international financial conference left last night for Brussels. Karl F. von Siemens, the electrical magnate, who was appointed a delegate some time ago, was unable to go to Brussels and was replaced by Rudolph Havenstein, a director of the Reichsbank.

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COAST LIQUOR SCANDAL GROWS

Witness Says He Warned of
Coming Raids at 'Dry'
Chief's Request

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—John D. Costello, secretary to United States Senator Phelan, testified Tuesday in the liquor conspiracy trial of Harry Brodski that he had "tipped off" to John Tait, a prospective raid by prohibition enforcement officers, on Tait's restaurant, one of the largest in San Francisco. Costello said he did this at the request of the late Handley, told me that prohibition enforcement director for California.

"Handley told me that prohibition enforcement officers had raided two or three places previously, the political effect of which he thought was bad, and he feared other raids of a similar character and that I might give the information to the other people," Costello said.

BENEFIT "SWET" PROTECTION.

Costello, who is awaiting trial on a charge of conspiracy to violate the prohibition law, was put on as a defense witness, and on direct examination testified that he had told Harry Handley, it was safe for him to sell liquor in his restaurant. His testimony regarding Tait's came on cross examination.

He said his information to Tait was merely "an incident in a busy season."

MRS. WARBURTON MENTIONED.

Harry Brodski, admitted on cross examination that he had frequently dined at a hotel with Mrs. Glad Warburton, who became prohibition enforcement director after Handley's death, last September in an automobile accident and had hired a taxi for her trips to and from her office.

Julien Gamage, a co-defendant in the case, testified in his own behalf. The third defendant is Douglas Newton. Conclusion of testimony today was promised by defense attorneys.

A denial of all charges made against him by the prosecution was voiced by Brodski.

He also denied specifically the testimony of Harry Handley that he offered Marquard protection in the sale of liquor, and a group of other witnesses that he offered to obtain liquor withdrawals for them for a preliminary payment of \$500.

Brodski said that he was a close friend of Handley.

On one occasion Handley gave him \$1,200 in government funds to do some "detective work" for the enforcement office, he said.

A new religion has sprung up in Japan based on the scribbles of an old woman who died two years ago in Ayabe, Japan.

SEN. KING OF UTAH RAP CO-OP PLAN OF FARM MARKETS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—More legislation in behalf of agricultural producers was taken up yesterday by the senate. It was the Capper-Nease bill to authorize co-operative marketing by agricultural associations and was passed by the house last May. The measure would provide for regulation of farmers' selling organizations by the federal trade commission. Senator King, Democrat, of Utah, led the attack on the bill, declaring it would exempt farmers' organizations from the Sherman law. Senator McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, supported the bill, and declared that California fruit organizations and dairy interests had practiced co-operative marketing for years.

OKLAHOMA BANK SHORT IN FUNDS, CLOSES ITS DOORS

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 15.—The First National bank of Muskogee, Okla., failed to open yesterday. A notice on the door said the affairs of the bank are in the hands of the comptroller of the currency. The bank's capitalization is placed at \$20,000. A shortage of \$40,000 has been found in the funds of the bank, according to L. A. Baglet, of this city, vice president of the institution. He asserted E. de Lisle, cashier and manager, has assigned to the bank property valued at \$75,000.

HAMBURG IS REGAINING SEA TRAFFIC PRESTIGE

HAMBURG, Dec. 14.—Incoming and outgoing sea traffic in the Hamburg port during November was nearly five times greater than of November, 1919, aggregating 1,028,000 net tons of shipping. For the ten months ending November 1 the net incoming and outgoing sea traffic aggregated 6,870,000 tons which was more than six times that of the similar period of last year but only about one-fourth that for the corresponding period of 1915.

GERMAN ARTIST KILLED.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 15.—William F. G. Pape, a famous German painter, was struck by a motor car last night and died today from his injuries. He had been to Christiania to paint the scenes at the recent presentation of the Nobel prizes.

STEEL TRUST IN ANTI-UNION PLOT

Fight to Break Unionism in
Steel Erecting Business
Told by Witness

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Testimony that the Bethlehem Steel company, the United States Steel corporation and manufacturers of fabricated steel are blocking building operations in New York and other cities by attempting to force their "open shop" policy upon builders who employ union men, was heard Tuesday by the joint legislative committee investigating the alleged "building trust."

Enforcement of the "open shop" principle in steel construction in New York and Philadelphia, it was testified, is merely the "opening wedge" of the system which was to be extended throughout the country.

DRIVEN FROM BUSINESS.
Despite personal appeals to Eugene Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel and Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the board, Paul Starrett, president of the George A. Fuller company, and Louis Horowitz president of the Thompson-Starrett company, two of the largest construction companies in the United States, testified they were unable to purchase structural steel direct for erection under union shop conditions.

They declared they had been virtually driven out of the steel erection business because of their employment of union men and had to have all their structural work done by members of the Iron League of New York or the National Erectors' association, thus increasing the cost of construction work.

The committee also began an inquiry into the alleged combination of bridge builders and structural steel workers' organizations, the Bridge Builders' and Structural society, which includes in its membership the American Bridge company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel corporation, and the Bethlehem Steel and Bridge company.

AGREEMENT ON BIDS.
G. E. Gifford, secretary of the society, admitted its twenty-nine members now had a system of exchanging bids and that its "book of rules" contained provisions whereby estimates could be revised to meet outside competition. He said Vice President Earle of the Bethlehem Bridge Steel company, is head of the society.

The National Association of Steel Fabricators also was brought under the committee's fire while Mr. Gifford was on the stand as he was acting secretary of the organization.

Despite the denial of the witness that the organization was not formed to deal with "mainly labor conditions," Samuel Untermyer, committee's counsel, read extracts from its minutes showing it had been supporting the "open shop" movement.

OBJECTS ARE REVEALED.
A resolution adopted by the association was read into the records by counsel, placing the National Steel Fabricators' association on record as "being unopposed and entirely in favor of the open shop in all fabricating plants," recommending that the policy of the members of the association should be "to adjust their business" so that the steel fabricated by them is erected under open shop conditions. The resolution instructed the executive committee to use "all influence in its power with mills, fabricators and factories and business associations to bring about the above policy."

Interlocked in the association, Mr. Gifford said, was the Structural society, the Structural Steel society, the National Erectors' association and the American Erectors' association. The organization include in their membership virtually all of the bridge and structural steel manufacturers of the country.

**RORED COTTON SHOWS
BIG GROWTH OVER 1919**
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Cotton consumed during November amounted to 332,057 bales of lint and 29,256 of lint, compared with 491,250 of lint and 25,514 of lint in November last year, the census bureau announced today.

Cotton on hand November 30 in consuming establishments amounted to 1,124,209 bales of lint and 233,925 of lint, compared with 1,642,425 of lint and 254,425 of lint, and in public storage and in compresses, 5,070,150 bales of lint and 340,408 of lint, compared with 4,052,176 of lint and 246,078 of lint a year ago.

Exports of lint amounted to 682,323 bales, including 2,501 bales of lint, compared with 824,751 including 3,121 of lint in November last year. Imports amounted to 22,515 bales compared with 22,088 a year ago. Cotton spindles active during November numbered 31,654,126 compared with 34,499,753 in November last year.

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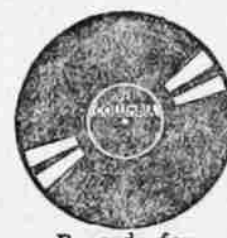
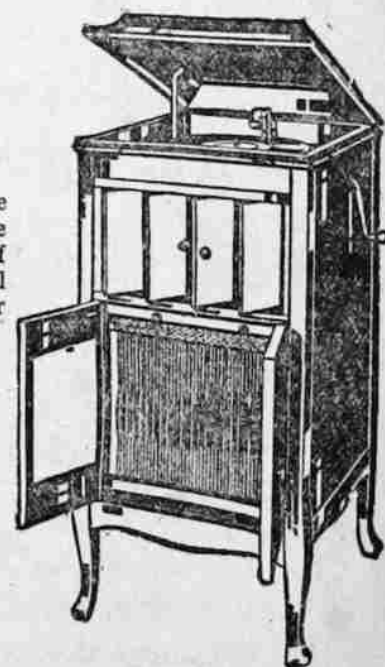
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